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1. On 13 March 1951 units of the 44 Army were disposed as follows:

Headquarters at Nsiliuan (新市), Canton, with troops along the Canton-Sanshui (112-54, 23-08) railroad.

Headquarters of the 130 Division at Tanshui (114-22, 23-47), with troops in the Pearl River area. Unit identification is "81" or "First Detachment, Tientsin."

The 131 Division on the south bank of the Pearl River in the Canton area. Unit identification is "83" or "Second Detachment, Tientsin."

Headquarters of the 132 Division at Shihlung (113-51, 23-07). Unit identification is "84" or "Third Detachment, Tientsin." Troops were in the Shihlung-Tsint'ang (113-37, 23-07) area. Its 319<sup>th</sup> Regiment was in the Tungshan (113-46, 23-02) - Tsint'ang (113-32, 23-42) area. Its 395 Regiment was in the Changt'ou (114-06, 23-03) - Shenchuan area. Its 396 Regiment was in the Paoan-Tant'ou (113-56, 23-31) area.

On 14 March headquarters of the 137 Division, 46 Army, was at Tanyang under the command of Liu Yuen-t'ung (劉元同).\*\* The division was along the Canton-Hankow railroad between Hengyang and Ch'uching (113-35, 24-50).

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3. From 6 to 10 March, 2,000 Chinese Communist troops with military equipment left Huchou (111-19, 23-23) for Canton in 15 junks.
  4. On 15 March, 400,000 catties of grain were sent in four junks to Canton by the food bureau of the commissioner's office at Chiangmen (113-06, 23-34).
  5. On 6 March the Kwangtung Military District Command received a message from the Central and South China Military and Administrative Commission authorizing the command to obtain before June 3,000 to 5,000 tons of cement from cement works at Hsits'un (112-41), in the Canton area, for defense construction in Canton and outskirts.
  6. In early March renovation of the Shiching (113-18, 23-13) arsenal was completed.\*\*\* It is capable of producing 60 mm mortars, rifles, machine guns and various kinds of ammunition.
  7. In early March automatic gun shells and military supplies in depots in the Humpoa and Yent'ang (113-18, 23-10) area were being sent to Ching'ai'eng (113-18, 23-10) area for storage. 1,000 cases of anti-aircraft gun shells, four to a case, arrived in Canton via the Canton-Hankow railroad and were sent to Ching'ai'eng for storage.
  8. [redacted] some units of the 21 Army were disposed as follows:
    - a. Headquarters at Huiyang (114-26, 23-05).
    - b. Elements of the 61 Division in the Jaop'ing (116-40, 23-58) -Ch'aoan (116-37, 23-33) -Tao (116-42, 23-39) area.
    - c. Elements of the 62 Division in the Swatow-Chieh'yang (116-20, 23-32) -P'uning (116-13, 23-27) area.
    - d. Elements of the 63 Division in the Bias Bay-Ch'enghai (116-44, 23-39) -Huilai (116-18, 23-03) area.
    - e. The main force of the artillery regiment of the 21 Army in Swatow. Elements of this regiment are on Nanao Island (117-06, 23-22).
  9. From 14 to 17 March, 12,000 well-equipped Chinese Communist troops with 200 trucks and jeeps arrived in Canton from Kwangsi by boat on the West River. They were billeted in the Shaho (117-06) area. On 18 March they started moving north on the Canton-Hankow railroad.
  10. Beginning in early March Kwangtung authorities, on orders of the Central and South China Military Area Command, were recruiting civilian laborers for building defenses in coastal areas of Yangchiang (111-53, 21-52), Lien ai (111-21, 21-28), Yangch'un (111-42, 23-08) and Leichou Peninsula. They are digging trenches and setting up barbed wire fences in these areas. Fortifications were recently established at Bohochiang (111-, 21-) with two Soviet long-range guns.
- Hong Kong
11. Between 10 and 18 March, despite the presence of eight armies in Kwangtung, total military strength was estimated to be less than 130,000. Some dispositions were as follows:
    - a. One division, 7,000 men, of the 25 Army, 3 Field Army (7A), was along the North River.
    - b. Four thousand men of the 27 Army, 3 FA, formerly in the North River region, moved north; the main strength of the division (sic) is in Korea.
    - c. There were 15,000 troops in Hsiao (113-56, 23-32) and Huiyang hsien.

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- d. On 12 March one infantry regiment arrived at the South Station, Canton. It was equipped with field guns and 10 motor trucks which were stored in depot south of White Cloud Airfield. Troops were billeted in nearby villages.

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137 Division is commanded by HSIAO Chuan-fu.

25X1A \*\*\* [ ] Comment. This contradicts information [ ]  
[ ] which stated that removal of this arsenal to Chinchiang was  
to be completed by the end of March.

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